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1. On 31 July 1951, the northern section of the Delius Kaserne, Potsdam (N 53/2 63), quartered about 600 troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets, including some with artillery insignia. Six 152-mm artillery pieces, 4 prime movers and 5 trucks were seen in the barracks yard on 28 July. [redacted]

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2. Between 23 July and 7 August, the southern section of the Delius Kaserne quartered 50 to 100 soldiers who were furnishing the quarters. The garages and quarters west of the installation had also been occupied by vehicles and troops respectively. On 31 July, 3 officers and 30 ~~EN~~ were in the barracks yard, while 30 other soldiers performed fatigue duty. Furniture was unloaded

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3. On 31 July, the Hohenliche Kaserne was occupied by about 400 men. About 80 soldiers sang while marching around the barracks yard. (b)

4. On 31 July, the Ludendorff Kaserne quartered about 600 troops. About 20 recruits drilled with four 37-mm AA guns on 26 July. About 100 soldiers drilled on 28 July. Two 37-mm AA guns stood in the barracks yard, and 10 to 12 trucks in front of the garages, on 31 July. (4)

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5. Prior to 30 July, the northern section of the Delius Kaserne quartered soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets. Troops practiced with 5 artillery pieces and 15 caterpillar tractors on 26 July, and with 4 artillery pieces on 30 July. (1) Trucks [redacted] were seen in the billeting area. Prime movers with trailers hauled billeting equipment to the southern section of the Delius Kaserne between 25 and 30 July. A convoy of 14 trucks with [redacted] was seen entering the barracks installation on 26 July. Each truck was occupied by four or five men wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia and was loaded with ammunition boxes and mesh wire. (2)

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6. On 25 July, a convoy of 7 trucks towing 57-mm AA guns, 1 truck with a field kitchen, and 1 truck with billeting equipment moved southward along Friedrich Ebertstrasse, having come from the direction of Medlitz. [redacted]

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- [REDACTED]
7. All motor vehicles observed in traffic to the Adolf Hitler Kaserne on Pappelallee between 23 July and 2 August were sedans which were occupied by officers, lieutenant colonels and higher ranks. In addition, numerous officers were seen walking to the installation, whereas EM were seldom noticed. [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

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8. On 31 July, the northern section of the Delius Kaserne was still occupied by about 700 troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets, including some with artillery and signal insignia. Two 152-mm artillery pieces and one 122-mm artillery piece were seen entering the installation, and about 10 soldiers drilled in the yard, on 30 July. (1) The southern section of the Delius Kaserne quartered a guard detachment of about 50 soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets. Trucks continued to haul billeting equipment to the installation. Some officers were billeted in the settlement just south of the installation. (3) The garages and quarters west of the installation were occupied by motor vehicles and troops respectively. [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

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9. On 31 July, the Hohenlohe Kaserne was about 50 percent occupied by soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

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10. On 31 July, the Ludendorff Kaserne was occupied by about 700 troops. Ten trucks and two 37-mm guns stood in the barracks yard on 27 July. (4)

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11. Prior to 7 August, no changes in the occupation of the Adolf Hitler Kaserne were observed. There was still heavy traffic of officers, especially field-grade officers, of all branches of service. Sedans seen moving to the [REDACTED]

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12. The restricted Babelsberg area was enlarged by the inclusion of Stahnsdorferstrasse, formerly Ufastrasse, from An der Sandscholle as far as August Bebelstrasse. (C-3). The restricted area was still guarded by soldiers who wore black-bordered crimson epaulets. [REDACTED]

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The AA gun emplacement on Steinstrasse contained five 37-mm AA guns. Crews of five soldiers each practiced with the guns on 6 August. The AA gun emplacement on the Sportplatz contained six 37-mm AA guns on 6 August.

13. On 6 August, the Soviet quarters on Ernst Thaelmannstrasse were occupied by about 150 soldiers who wore black-bordered black epaulets with signal insignia. No training activity was noticed. Three trucks were in the garage at the intersection of Fritz Zubeilstrasse and Gartenstrasse and four trucks in the adjoining repair shop. No trailers with telescopic masts were noticed. [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

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14. On 6 August, the Soviet quarters on Paul Neumannstrasse were occupied by about 100 men who wore black-bordered black epaulets without branch-of-service insignia. No vehicular traffic was observed. (7)

15. Between 2 and 7 August, the southern section of the Delius Kaserne quartered a detail of soldiers who were furnishing the quarters. A solid fence was being constructed around the garages west of the installation. (2)

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[redacted] the officers' settlement on Am Reihenberg on 7 August. (3)

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16. According to the Kitchen bulletin, the ration strength of troops in the northern section of the Delius Kaserne was 204 officers and 1,267 men on 7 August. (1)

Comments.

(1) The information contained in paragraphs 1,5,6, and 16 confirms that the elements of the 30th Gds Gun Arty Brig in the northern section of the Delius Kaserne were still at their quarters by 7 August 1951.

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(2) These same and other sources previously reported that rear elements of the artillery units in Wildpark-West had started moving into the southern section of the Delius Kaserne on 20 July 1951. [redacted] The present report indicates that the moving process still continued on 7 August 1951.

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(3) [redacted] which were seen at the officers' billets on Am Reihenberg south of the Delius Kaserne, belong to the 2d Gds AAA Div, it is possible that officers of this division have been billeted in the settlement on Am Reihenberg.

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(4) The occupation of the Hohenlohe Kaserne and the Ludendorff Kaserne has not changed essentially since the last information of 25 July by the same sources. The Hohenlohe Kaserne seemed to be only 50 percent occupied as component units of the 2d Gds AAA Div quartered there were at the Wustrow AAA range.

(5) The convoy belongs to the 2d Gds AAA Div and was probably en route to the Potsdam railroad station, as another source reported that component units of the division were entrained the same day. [redacted]

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(6) [redacted]

(6) According to previous information by the [redacted] occupied by as many as 300 troops each on 3 July [redacted]

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